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in United States patent 5,614,804, which is incorporated by reference herein. Apparatus for displaying SOC is disclosed in United States patents 5,686,895 and 5,612,608, both of which are incorporated by reference herein.--

Remarks

The amendment to the specification does not introduce new matter because methods for determining the state of charge of batteries are well known to those skilled in the art, and no particular method of measuring state of charge is required to practice the claimed invention. Rather, the amendment is requested in order that applicants may comply with the best mode requirement of 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph. The amendment to refer to apparatus for displaying the state of charge is similar, except that the referenced material is non-essential. MPEP § 601.01(p).

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An initial Office Action is awaited.

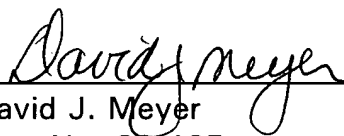
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Respectfully submitted,

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